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Honorable Philip N. Asprodites Commissioner of Conservation P.O. Box 94275, Capitol Station Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: Application Notice

15,500' Zone, Reservoir A

Marginulina Ascensionensis Zone, Reservoir A

NORTH HELL HOLE BAYOU FIELD Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

SKH Management, L.P. ("Applicant") hereby makes application to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the 15,500' Zone, Reservoir A, and the Marginulina Ascensionensis ("Marg A") Zone, Reservoir A, in the North Hell Hole Bayou Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the 15,500' Zone, Reservoir A, and the Marg A Zone, Reservoir A, in the North Hell Hole Bayou Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate for each zone.
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed units, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 4. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate unit wells drilled to the 15,500' Zone, Reservoir A, and the Marg A Zone, Reservoir A, in the North Hell Hole Bayou Field, shall be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 5. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the reservoirs by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoirs change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
- 6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to this application.

A waiver of the production test in the Field policy has been granted by the Office of Conservation concerning the 15,500' Zone, Reservoir A.

The 15,500' Zone is defined as that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the depths of 19,350 feet and 21,075 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Standard Oil Production - State Lease 11334 No. 1 ST Well, located in Township 16 South, Range 4 East, Offshore Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

The Marg A Zone is defined as that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the depths of 16,649 feet and 18,563 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Standard Oil Production - State Lease 11334 No. 1 ST Well, located in Township 16 South, Range 4 East, Offshore Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

A timely request for the conference tentatively scheduled in the preapplication notice dated February 21, 2001 was not received and therefore the conference will not be held.

All pertinent data relating to the subject application is available for inspection at the Offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

The Applicant will provide for posting a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and a copy of the enclosed plats at a prominent place in the area affected by this application and will cause the publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of the North Hell Hole Bayou Field. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is attached hereto and made part hereof, plats outlining the proposed units and a list of names and addresses of the Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties to whom this notice is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of Parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. The aforementioned list is available upon request to any Interested Party. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties as required by the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is enclosed herewith on behalf of the Applicant a check made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

LOUIS GILBERT & SSOCIATES, INC.

Louis F. Gilbert

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Interested Parties, Interested Owners
and Represented Parties (w/plat)



